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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to evidence-based maternal and infant home
- 2 visiting services.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. EVIDENCE-BASED MATERNAL AND INFANT HOME VISITING 2 SERVICES. The department of human services shall engage in 3 a cross-agency collaboration with the department of public 4 health and the department of education to identify and leverage 5 funding sources and opportunities, including Medicaid, to 6 expand evidence-based home visiting services for women and 7 infants that promote healthy pregnancies, positive birth 8 outcomes, and healthy infant growth and development. 9 departments shall involve key stakeholders in designing an 10 evidence-based home visiting services approach for the state 11 that maximizes the coordination and integration of programs 12 and funding streams, reduces duplication of efforts, and 13 ensures that the services provided meet federal evidence-based 14 criteria. The approach shall ensure that evidence-based home 15 visiting services shall be available to women prenatally, 16 throughout the pregnancy, and postpartum, and shall include 17 mental and physical health, social, educational, and other 18 services and interventions based upon the risk factors and 19 needs identified. The departments may conduct a feasibility 20 study to consider the various options available to increase 21 Medicaid coverage and funding of evidence-based home visiting 22 services, either through a state plan amendment or waiver. 23 department of human services shall seek federal approval of any 24 Medicaid state plan amendment or waiver necessary to administer 25 this section. 26 **EXPLANATION** The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 27
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- This bill requires the department of human services (DHS) to an engage in a cross-agency collaboration with the departments of public health and education to identify and leverage funding sources and opportunities, including Medicaid, to expand evidence-based home visiting services for women and infants that promote healthy pregnancies, positive birth outcomes, and healthy infant growth and development. The departments

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